IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

WEDNESDAY, THE 22ND AUGUST 2007 / 31ST SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 24181 of 2007(D)

PETITIONER:

P.S.RAVEENDRA PANICKER, S/O. SREEDHARAN,
PARACKAL, MAMPARA P.O., MAMPARA, RANNI.

BY ADV. SRI.S.SANAL KUMAR
SMT.BHAVANA VELAYUDHAN

RESPONDENTS:

1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
THE SECRETARY TO EXCISE DEPARTMENT,
SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE EXCISE COMMISSIONER,
THE OFFICE OF THE EXCISE COMMISSIONER,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. THE ASSISTANT EXCISE COMMISSIONER,
PATHANAMTHITTA.

BY G.P. SHRI.I.V.PRAMOD

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 22/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S.SIRI JAGAN, J.

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W.P.(C).No.24181 of 2007

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Dated this the 22nd day of August, 2007

J U D G M E N T

Petitioner's complaint in this writ petition is that the petitioner has been orally directed to close down his toddy shop unless the petitioner is ready to appoint more workers in the toddy shop as directed by the respondents. The learned Government Pleader submits that on receiving information about a person who consumed toddy having fainted and admitted to hospital, the Excise officials have taken samples from the petitioner's toddy shop, which alone has been done by the respondents. In the above circumstances, this writ petition is closed with a direction to the respondents that the petitioner shall not be interdicted from conducting the toddy shop except by an order in writing.

Sd/-

sdk+ S.SIRI JAGAN, JUDGE

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P.A. to Judge.